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RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING FILING OF APPLICATION FOR NEIGHBORHOOD FACILITIES GRANT

VOTED:

WHEREAS Section 703 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1965 authorizes the making of grants of Federal funds to any local public body or agency to assist in financing the development cost of neighborhood facilities necessary for carrying out programs of community service; and

WHEREAS the Boston Redevelopment Authority (herein sometimes referred to as "Applicant") deems it to be necessary and in the public interest to provide certain facilities of the type contemplated in said Section 703 and to undertake a project (hereinafter called the "Neighborhood Facilities Project") with Federal grant assistance, described as the ABCD Skill Center, to serve the Roxbury and North Dorchester sections of the City, and to be operated by Action for Boston Community Development, Inc., the locally designated Community Action Agency, in furtherance of the aims of the Community Action Program; and

WHEREAS it is recognized that the Federal contract for such financial assistance pursuant to said Section 703 will impose certain obligations and responsibilities upon the Applicant and will require among other things (1) the provision of the local share of the cost of the Neighborhood Facilities Project, (2) assurances that families or individuals displaced as a result of the development of the Neighborhood Facilities Project will be offered decent, safe, and sanitary housing within their means, (3) the making of relocation payments in accordance with the regulations of the Department of Housing and Urban Development, (4) compliance with Federal labor standards, and (5) compliance with Federal requirements relating to equal employment opportunity; and

WHEREAS Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, and the regulations of the Department of Housing and Urban Development effectuating that Title, provide that no person shall, on the ground of race, color, or national origin, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination in the undertaking and carrying out of projects receiving Federal financial assistance:

NOW, THEREFORE, THE Boston Redevelopment Authority
RESOLVES:

1. That an application on behalf of the <u>Boston Redevelopment</u>
Authority be made to the Department of Housing and Urban Development
for a grant under Section 703 of the Housing and Urban Development Act
of 1965, in an amount equal to two-thirds of the development cost of
the Neighborhood Facilities Project, such development cost now estimated
to be \$ 98,287.00 _.

- 2. That the Neighborhood Facilities Project (a) is necessary for carrying out a program of health, recreational, social, or similar community service in the area, (b) is consistent with comprehensive planning for the development of the community, and (c) will be available for use by a significant number of the area's low- or moderate-income residents.
- 3. That the Chairman is hereby authorized and directed to execute and file such application, and the Development Administrator is hereby authorized to execute such contract or contracts as may be necessary for the grant applied for, to provide such information and furnish such documents as may be required by the Department of Housing and Urban Development, and to act as the authorized representative of the Applicant in the accomplishment of the Neighborhood Facilities Project.
- 4. That the United States of America and the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development be, and they hereby are, assured of full compliance by the Applicant with the regulations of the Department of Housing and Urban Development effectuating Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964.
- 5. That the Neighborhood Facilities Project will be carried out in full compliance with applicable Federal statutes and regulations of the Secretary of Labor pertaining to the employment of laborers and mechanics on projects assisted with Federal funds.

MEMORANDUM

TO: The Boston Redevelopment Authority

FROM: Edward J. Logue, Development Administrator

DATE: September 15, 1966

SUBJECT: Application for Neighborhood Facilities Grant on

Behalf of Action for Boston Community Development

The Boston Redevelopment Authority has been designated by the Mayor as the local coordinating agency for applications to the Department of Housing and Urban Development under Section 703 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1965, the Neighborhood Facilities Grant Program.

This program provides two-thirds of the development costs of facilities for accommodating programs of community service. Priority is given to programs furthering the objectives of Community Action Programs under the auspices of OEO, and benefiting primarily members of low-income families.

Eligible applicants are local public bodies with authority under state or local law to undertake such projects. Counsel for the Authority is of the opinion that the Boston Redevelopment Authority is, under this provision, an eligible applicant. Non-profit organizations, including Community Action Agencies, are not eligible applicants. Such agencies are, however, specifically authorized to contract with the applicant to own and operate such facilities subject to controls over the use by the public body applicant.

Action for Boston Community Development, Inc. has requested the Boston Redevelopment Authority, therefore, to apply on its behalf for a grant enabling purchase and renovation of the Beth El Hebrew School on Glenway Street in North Dorchester as such a facility. ABCD will supply the necessary local funding, own and operate this facility in furtherance of their Community Action Programs in Roxbury and North Dorchester, subject to supervision by BRA.

The necessary application has been prepared by ABCD. One copy is available at 73 Tremont Street for inspection. Attached is a resolution in the form suggested by the Department of Housing and Urban Development, authorizing submission of this application.

It is recommended that the Authority adopt this resolution.

